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Translation of PCT Article 34 Amendment

CLAIMS

1. (Amended) An artificial lure containing as its chief components (1) a protein crosslinked by a protein crosslinking enzyme, and (2) below or both of (2) and (3) below:

(2) a non-water-soluble polysaccharide; and

(3) at least one saccharide selected from a group consisting of monosaccharides, oligosaccharides, glutinous starch syrup, and dextrans.

2. The artificial lure according to claim 1, wherein the protein is gelatin.

3. The artificial lure according to claim 1, wherein the protein crosslinking enzyme is transglutaminase.

4. The artificial lure according to claim 1, wherein the non-water-soluble polysaccharide is cellulose.

5. The artificial lure according to claim 1, wherein the non-water-soluble polysaccharide is microcrystalline cellulose.

6. The artificial lure according to claim 1, wherein the

saccharide is at least one selected from a group consisting of sugar and glutinous starch syrup.

7. The artificial lure according to claim 1 further containing a fish attractant.

8. The artificial lure according to claim 1 containing a protein crosslinked by a protein crosslinking enzyme at a ratio of 15 to 35 wt%.

9. The artificial lure according to claim 8 containing a non-water soluble polysaccharide at a ratio of 1 to 10 wt%.

10. The artificial lure according to claims 8 or 9 containing a saccharide at a ratio of 1 to 30 wt%.

11. (Amended) Use for manufacturing an artificial lure of a composition containing (1) a protein linked by a protein crosslinking enzyme, and (2) below or both of (2) and (3) below:

(2) a non-water-soluble polysaccharide; and

(3) at least one saccharide selected from a group consisting of monosaccharides, oligosaccharides, glutinous starch syrup, and dextrins.

12. The use for manufacturing an artificial lure according to claim 11, wherein the protein crosslinking enzyme is transglutaminase, the protein is gelatin, the non-water-soluble polysaccharide is cellulose, and the saccharide is at least one
5 saccharide selected from a group consisting of sugar and glutinous starch syrup.

13. (Amended) Use as an artificial lure of a composition containing (1) a protein linked by a protein crosslinking enzyme,
10 and (2) below or both of (2) and (3) below:

(2) a non-water-soluble polysaccharide.

(3) at least one saccharide selected from a group consisting of monosaccharides, oligosaccharides, glutinous starch syrup, and dextrans.

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14. The use as an artificial lure of a composition according to claim 13, wherein the protein crosslinking enzyme is transglutaminase, the protein is gelatin, the non-water-soluble polysaccharide is cellulose, and the saccharide is at least one
20 saccharide selected from a group consisting of sugar and glutinous starch syrup.

15. (Amended) The use as an artificial lure of a composition according to claim 14, wherein the composition is a composition

containing (1) 15 to 35 wt% of a protein crosslinked by a protein crosslinking enzyme, (2) 1 to 10 wt% of a non-water-soluble polysaccharide, and (3) 1 to 30 wt% of a saccharide if it contains the said saccharide.

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16. (Added) The artificial lure according to claim 1, wherein the protein crosslinking enzyme is transglutaminase, the protein is gelatin, the non-water-soluble polysaccharide is cellulose, and the saccharide is at least one saccharide selected from a group consisting of sugar and glutinous starch syrup.

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